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SUBJECT: ISRAELI CONCERNS OVER RESULTS OF ISLAMIC
CONFERENCE

1. ISRAELI CONSUL TUVAL CALLED ON CONGEN OFF MAY 10 TO DISCUSS
ISLAMIC FOREIGN MINISTERS' CONFERENCE. TUVAL SAID THE GOVERNMENT
OF ISRAEL (GOI) EXPECTS STATUS OF JERUSALEM TO BE PRINCIPAL TOPIC
ON AGENDA, FOLLOWED BY ISRAELI OCCUPATION OF WEST BANK AND QUESTION
OF MOSLEM MINORITY IN PHILIPPINES. GOI EXPECTS CONFERENCE TO
PASS RESOLUTION CONDEMNING ISRAEL AND POSSIBLE INCORPORATING
ELEMENTS OF THE UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTION EQUATING ZIONISM WITH
RACISM. AS LONG AS NO CONCRETE RESULTS COME FROM THE
CONFERENCE, TUVAL SAID ISRAEL
PROBABLY "COULD LIVE" WITH A SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

THE GOI'S MAIN FEAR, IS THAT ARAB PRESSURES DURING CONFERENCE
MIGHT PUSH TURKEY TOWARD BREAKING RELATIONS WITH AND/OR APPLYING
ECONOMIC SANCTIONS AGAINST ISRAEL. HE ADDED THAT WHILE ISRAEL
DOES NOT EXPECT TURKEY TO MODIFY ITS RELATIONSHIP AS A RESULT OF
CONFERENCE, NEVERTHELESS ISRAEL WISHES TO BE PREPARED FOR ALL
EVENTUALITIES

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2. CONCERNING PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION (PLO) TUVAL
SAID ISRAEL WOULD NOT BE SURPRISED IF TURKEY DECIDED TO PERMIT
PLO TO OPEN A LIAISON OFFICE IN ANKARA SINCE GOT HAS FREQUENTLY
SPOKEN FAVORABLE OF PLO. HE SAID TURKEY WOULD BE OPPOSED TO
LOCATING A PLO OFFICE IN ISTANBUL BECAUSE OF SURVEILLANCE
DIFFICULTIES. MOREOVER TURKS ARE FULLY AWARE OF LINKS BETWEEN
PLO AND TURKISH PEOPLES LIBERATION ARMY (TPLA) AND FOR THIS
REASON WILL BE WATCHING PLO ACTIVITIES VERY CAREFULLY. MACE

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